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12 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
13 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

14 UNIVERSAL DYEING & PRINTING,
15 INC., a California Corporation,

16 Plaintiff,

17 v.

18 MIO WHOLESALE, a Business Entity of
19 Form Unknown; WHOLESALE FASHION
20 SQUARE, a Business Entity of Form
21 Unknown; and DOES 1 through 10,

22 Defendants.

Case No.:

PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FOR
COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

Jury Trial Demanded

23 Universal Dyeing & Printing, Inc., by and through its undersigned attorneys,
24 hereby prays to this honorable Court for relief based on the following:

25 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

26 1. This action arises under the Copyright Act of 1976, Title 17 U.S.C., § 101
27 *et seq.*

28 2. This Court has federal question jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and
1338 (a) and (b).

adopted each of the acts or conduct alleged, with full knowledge of all the facts and circumstances, including, but not limited to, full knowledge of each violation of Plaintiff's rights and the damages to Plaintiff proximately caused thereby.

CLAIMS RELATED TO DESIGN NO. UA 15554

9. Plaintiff owns an original two-dimensional artwork used for purposes of textile printing entitled UA 15554 ("Subject Design A") which has been registered with the United States Copyright Office.

10. Prior to the acts complained of herein, Plaintiff widely disseminated fabric bearing Subject Design A to numerous parties in the fashion and apparel industries.

11. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that following its distribution of Subject Design A, MIO, DOE Defendants, and each of them distributed and/or sold fabric and/or garments featuring a design which is substantially similar to Subject Design A (hereinafter "Subject Product A") without Plaintiff's authorization, including but not limited to products sold by MIO bearing the label "Voll" and Style Number T1510 C.

12. A representative image of the Subject Design A and a representative image of one exemplar of Subject Product A are set forth hereinbelow:

Subject Design A



Subject Product A



CLAIMS RELATED TO DESIGN NO. UA 16128

13. Plaintiff owns an original two-dimensional artwork used for purposes of textile printing entitled UA 16128 (“Subject Design B”) which has been registered with the United States Copyright Office.

14. Prior to the acts complained of herein, Plaintiff widely disseminated fabric bearing Subject Design B to numerous parties in the fashion and apparel industries.

15. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that following its distribution of Subject Design B, WHOLESale, DOE Defendants, and each of them distributed and/or sold fabric and/or garments featuring a design which is substantially similar to Subject Design B (hereinafter “Subject Product B”) without Plaintiff’s authorization, including but not limited to products sold by WHOLESale under Item Description “115-3-3-DD148APA PEACH GREEN ROMPER 2-2-2,” Product Code CN 183554, and bearing the label “DOROTHY.”

16. A representative image of the Subject Design B and a representative image of one exemplar of Subject Product B are set forth hereinbelow:

Subject Design B



Subject Product B



FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(For Copyright Infringement - Against All Defendants, and Each)

17. Plaintiff repeats, realleges and incorporates herein by reference as though

1 fully set forth the allegations contained in the preceding paragraphs of this
2 Complaint.

3 18. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants, and
4 each of them, had access to Subject Designs A and B (collectively, “Subject
5 Designs”), including, without limitation, through (a) access to Plaintiff’s showroom
6 and/or design library; (b) access to illegally distributed copies of Subject Designs by
7 third-party vendors and/or DOE Defendants, including without limitation
8 international and/or overseas converters and printing mills; (c) access to Plaintiff’s
9 strike-offs and samples, and (d) access to garments in the marketplace manufactured
10 with lawfully printed fabric bearing Subject Designs.

11 19. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that one or more of
12 the Defendants manufactures garments and/or is a garment vendor. Plaintiff is
13 further informed and believes and thereon alleges that said Defendant(s), and each of
14 them, has an ongoing business relationship with Defendant retailers, and each of
15 them, and supplied garments to said retailers, which garments infringed Subject
16 Designs in that said garments were composed of fabric which featured unauthorized
17 print designs that were identical or substantially similar to Subject Designs, or were
18 an illegal modification thereof.

19 20. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants, and
20 each of them, infringed Plaintiff’s copyright by creating, making and/or developing
21 directly infringing and/or derivative works from Subject Designs and by producing,
22 distributing and/or selling Subject Products through a nationwide network of retail
23 stores, catalogues, and through on-line websites.

24 21. Due to Defendants’, and each of their, acts of infringement, Plaintiff has
25 suffered damages in an amount to be established at trial.

26 22. Due to Defendants’, and each of their, acts of copyright infringement as
27 alleged herein, Defendants, and each of them, have obtained profits they would not
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1 otherwise have realized but for their infringement of Subject Designs. As such,
2 Plaintiff is entitled to disgorgement of Defendants', and each of their, profits
3 attributable to the infringement of Subject Designs in an amount to be established at
4 trial.

5 23. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants, and
6 each of them, have committed copyright infringement with actual or constructive
7 knowledge of Plaintiff's rights such that said acts of copyright infringement were,
8 and continue to be, willful, intentional and malicious.

9 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

10 Wherefore, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- 11 a. That Defendants—each of them—and their respective agents and
12 servants be enjoined from importing, manufacturing, distributing,
13 offering for sale, selling or otherwise trafficking in any product that
14 infringes Plaintiff's copyrights in Subject Designs;
- 15 b. That Plaintiff be awarded all profits of Defendants, and each of them,
16 plus all losses of Plaintiff, the exact sum to be proven at the time of trial,
17 or, if elected before final judgment, statutory damages as available under
18 the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.;
- 19 c. That Plaintiff be awarded its attorneys' fees as available under the
20 Copyright Act U.S.C. § 101 et seq.;
- 21 d. That Plaintiff be awarded pre-judgment interest as allowed by law;
- 22 e. That Plaintiff be awarded the costs of this action; and
- 23 f. That Plaintiff be awarded such further legal and equitable relief as the
24 Court deems proper.
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1 Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all issues so triable pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P.
2 38 and the 7th Amendment to the United States Constitution.

3 Dated: February 1, 2017

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